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SUBJECT: ITALIAN-YUGOSLAV RELATIONS

REF: ROME'S 4577; BELGRADE'S 1494

1. DURING CONVERSATION WITH ITALIAN AMBASSADOR ORTONA APRIL 3, ASSISTANT SECRETARY HARTMAN EXPRESSED CONCERN ABOUT DISPUTE BETWEEN ITALY AND YUGOSLAVIA OVER ZONE B TRIESTE. HE SAID WE HAVE INFORMED YUGOSLAV AMBASSADOR AND WISHED ALSO TO REITERATE TO ITALIANS THAT THERE HAS BEEN NO CHANGE IN U.S. POSITION ON THIS SUBJECT, NAMELY THAT WE DO NOT REPEAT NOT SUPPORT CLAIMS OF EITHER YUGOSLAVIA OR ITALY TO TERRITORY UNDER THE SOVEREIGNTY OR ADMINISTRATION OF THE OTHER. IF ASKED FOR OUR VIEWS ON SUBJECT, WE INTEND TO STATE FOREGOING POSITION PUBLICLY. IN RESPONSE TO ORTONA'S QUESTION, HARTMAN CONFIRMED THAT YUGOSLAVS HAVE COMPLAINED TO US ABOUT DARK IMAGE EXERCISE. WE HAVE EXPLAINED TO THE GOY THAT THE MANEUVERS AND
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SUBSEQUENT PORT VISIT IN TRIESTE WERE LONG PLANNED AND HAVE

NOTHING TO DO WITH TRIESTE QUESTION. ORTONA SAID HE
WOULD REPORT FOREGOING PROMPTLY TO THE FOREIGN MINISTRY
IN ROME. RUSH

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